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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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In response to the Office Action dated April 4, 2003 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Applicants hereby amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 1 and 2 as follows:

1. (Amended) A composition for administration to animals including a combination of:
- (a) at least one anti-inflammatory agent selected from the group comprising:
    - i) green-lipped mussel extract (GLME) and/or a pharmacologically active green lipped mussel product, and
    - ii) shark cartilage; with
  - (b) at least one enhancing agent selected from the group of:
    - i) a bark product or bark extract, exhibiting antioxidant properties, and
    - ii) shark cartilage;

and wherein for a composition including just one member from each group, the selected members must be different.